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## NEWS

### Biolnc@NYMC Names New Director

Entrepreneurial expert Deborah Novick has been named director of Biolnc@NYMC, and is responsible for managing the operations, planning, marketing, strategic direction and development of Biolnc@NYMC, working directly with candidate companies, client firms, service providers and the NYMC and Touro community. She will also lead Touro's TruMada Initiative, focused on helping post-incubated Israeli biomedical start-ups through business development services and capital access.

[Read more about Deborah Novick, director of Biolnc@NYMC...](#)



### Bridge Funding Grants Are Announced

Researchers at New York Medical College have been selected to receive awards under the Fall 2017 round of the Touro and College and University System (TCUS) Bridge Funding Grant Program. Bridge grants are designed to sustain research projects between larger grant funding. The recipients' projects were reviewed as part of a rigorous peer review process, as well as recommendations by the TCUS Biomedical and Health Sciences Research Council.

**Christopher S. Leonard, Ph.D.**, professor of physiology, was selected for his work on "Synaptic Modulation of Mesopontine Cholinergic Neurons." "Our research program is aimed at understanding how the neuropeptide orexin regulates neuronal activity in brain circuits controlling sleep/wake patterns, motivation and emotion. In addition to learning new information about how the brain regulates these states, our studies may also reveal new therapeutic targets for treating narcolepsy and its co-morbid mood disorders," explained Dr. Leonard. "This bridge award provides critical sustaining support for our lab and will enable us to generate critical new

## HIGHLIGHTS

**School of Health Sciences and Practice Public Health Spring Seminar Series**

**Growth, Marketing and Developing Client/Customer Relationships**



**Robert A. Glazer, M.B.A.**  
CEO, ENT and Allergy Associates

**Wednesday, January 17  
3:00 p.m.**

19 Skyline Drive  
Annex Boardroom GS-F40

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**Health Sciences Library and Elsevier present**

**Author Workshop:  
How to get Published**



preliminary data. I am very grateful to the Touro and New York Medical College leadership for prioritizing this type of support."

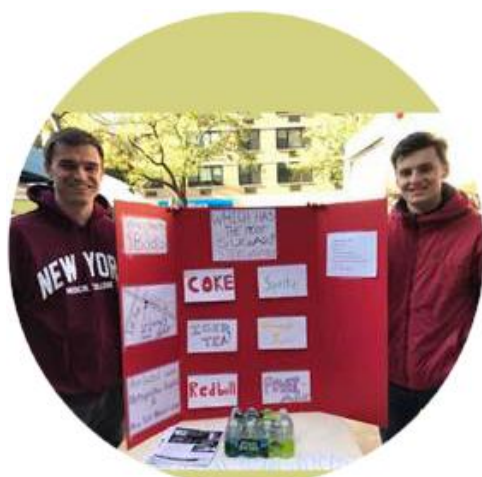
**Penghua Wang, Ph.D.** , assistant professor of microbiology and immunology, was also selected for bridge funding for his research, "UBXNs as Regulators of Antiviral Immunity." "Both herpes simplex virus 1 and Chikungunya virus are human pathogens of public health significance. The research



investigates the physiological roles of a family of poorly understood genes, UBXNs, in controlling HSV-1 and CHIKV infection and disease pathogenesis in mice via genetic, molecular biological, biochemical and immunological approaches, and may ultimately contribute to development of vaccines and therapeutics," explained Dr. Wang. "New York Medical College is strengthening its research, which, I strongly believe, is an important component of advanced medical education."

[Read the full article here...](#)

### La Casita de la Salud Continues to Bridge the Gap in Health Disparities



First-year medical students volunteer at a community outreach event at Saint Cecelia's Parish in New York City.

For more than 13 years, La Casita de la Salud, the NYMC student-run clinic, has been providing medical services, health education and counseling to the East Harlem community. On Saturday mornings, medical students and volunteer faculty members arrive at the clinic ready to offer comprehensive health care services to uninsured New Yorkers and provide culturally competent care. In the early days, they offered basic primary and preventive care, non-emergency urgent care, health education and awareness, physical exams, vaccinations, sexually transmitted infection testing, laboratory testing, referrals and screenings to help patients register for Medicaid, Family Health Plus and other free public insurance programs. Over the years, La Casita has augmented its services to further bridge the gap in health disparities. [Read more about the latest happenings at La Casita...](#)

### First Patient Arrives at Touro Dental Health

Patient care coordinators greeted new patients on the phone, and in person, on a sunny, brisk morning on January 3, when Touro Dental Health opened its doors to the community. The first patient, **Michelle Rodriguez**, sixth from left, of Carmel, N.Y., heard the news about the new facility and quickly made an appointment to discuss treatment options for an uncomfortable, lingering dental issue. Following some negative experiences that drove her and her family to seek dental care out of state, she was eager to find advanced and affordable care so close to home. "It was a very nice experience. Everybody was helpful, courteous and polite -- even when they were making a few little 'tweaks,'" said Ms. Rodriguez. [Read more about Touro Dental Health...](#)



**Tuesday, January 23  
3:00 p.m.**  
**Basic Sciences Building**  
Pathology Conference  
Room 414

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**Office of Undergraduate  
Medical Education Grand  
Rounds**

**Pearls from the AAMC 2017  
Annual Meeting: What's  
New in Medical Education?**



**Tuesday, January 23  
5:00 p.m.**  
19 Skyline Drive  
Annex Boardroom GS-F40

Presented by Faculty from  
SOM Offices of:  
Undergraduate Medical  
Education, Graduate Medical  
Education, Student Affairs  
and Second-Year Medical  
Students

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**Save the Date**  
**159th Commencement  
Exercises**

Michelle Rodriguez, sixth from left, with Touro Dental Health faculty, staff and administrators.

## ACCOLADES



**Mitchell S. Cairo, M.D.**, professor of pediatrics, medicine, pathology, microbiology and immunology, and cell biology and anatomy, and his team were well represented at the 59th American Society of Hematology Annual Meeting and Exposition, held in Atlanta on December 9 - 12. [Read more about the NYMC faculty and staff presentations...](#)



**Wednesday, May 23  
5:00 p.m.  
Carnegie Hall  
881 Seventh Avenue  
(at 57th Street)  
New York, NY 10019**

## IN THE NEWS

### Faculty News

#### [Can you really die of a broken heart?](#)

*The Atlanta Journal-Constitution - 1/12/2018*

William H. Frishman, M.D., the Barbara and William Rosenthal Professor and Chairman of the Department of Medicine and professor of pharmacology

#### [Telemedicine Magazine, URAC to Host 'Telemed Leadership Forum 2018: ROI of Telehealth'](#)

*Financial Buzz - 1/12/2018*

Corey S. Scurlock, M.D., M.B.A., associate professor of anesthesiology and medicine  
Stephen Ferrando, M.D., Har Esh Professor and Chairman of the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences

#### [New fitness routines can lead to potentially fatal condition](#)

*Live 5 News - 1/10/2018*

Maureen E. Brogan, M.D., associate professor of medicine

#### [Cardiology Today Editorial Board identifies top cardiology trends for 2018](#)

*Healio - 1/8/2018*

William H. Frishman, M.D., the Barbara and William Rosenthal Professor and Chairman of the Department of Medicine and professor of pharmacology

#### [The Top 25 Psoriasis Authors](#)

*Dermatology Times 1/8/2018*

Alice B. Gottlieb, M.D., Ph.D., professor of dermatology

#### [The Potential Premium Impact Of An Essential Health Benefits Benchmark Change In Four States](#)

*Health Affairs - 1/4/2018*

Adam E. Block, Ph.D., assistant professor of health policy and management

#### [How to Protect Yourself from Dangerous Cold](#)

*The Journal News - 1/4/2018*

Francis V. Winski Jr., M.D., clinical assistant professor of surgery and otolaryngology

#### [How Can We Make Sure Sledding Stays Fun?](#)

*Advancing Care in the Hudson Valley - January 2018*

Darshan D. Patel, M.D., assistant professor of pediatrics, family and community medicine and emergency medicine

### Biolnc@NYMC News

#### [New York Medical College Names Deborah Novick Director of Biotech Incubator](#)

*The Business Journal - 1/11/2018*

Deborah Novick, director of Biolnc@NYMC

**Health Care***Politico - 1/2/2018*

GRANT LAND - The Empire State Development and the Mid-Hudson Regional Development Council awarded the New York Medical College \$1.25 million for NYMC's biotechnology incubator and NY State-designated Innovation Hot Spot, BioInc@NYMC.

**New York Medical College Awarded Grant For Incubator***White Plains Patch - 12/29/2017***Student News****Diversity Can Make New York Healthier***Daily News - 12/30/2017*

Sheba Ebhote, School of Medicine Class of 2021

**The Snowman Project***The Business Journal - 12/29/2017*

Marianna Jolly, vice chair of the Graduate Student Research Forum; LaToya McLean, chair of community building; Fatima Arif, secretary; Kristopher Thompson, M.S. candidate; Charles White, president; Dana Weinstein, chair of the Graduate Student Research Forum; Joshua Vazhappilly, vice president; and Berlin Narampanawe, treasurer.

**Touro College of Dental Medicine at New York Medical College News****When Dentistry Meets Halacha: An Interview with Rabbi Dr. David Katz***The Jewish Press - 1/3/2018*

Rabbi Dr. David Katz, director of halachic dentistry

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**EVENTS**[View all events...](#)

<b>Tuesday, January 16</b>	
Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences Grand Rounds Grand Rounds	11:00 a.m.
<b>Wednesday, January 17</b>	
Department of Pediatrics Grand Rounds	8:00 a.m.
Department of Surgery Grand Rounds	8:30 a.m.
Department of Medicine, Division of Infectious Diseases Grand Rounds	9:00 a.m.
Department of Medicine Grand Rounds	12:00 p.m.
Department of Pathology Research Seminar	1:00 p.m.
Department of Health Policy and Management Grand Rounds	3:00 p.m.
<b>Tuesday, January 23</b>	
Author Workshop: How to Get Published	3:00 p.m.
Undergraduate Medical Education Grand Rounds	5:00 p.m.
<b>Wednesday, January 24</b>	
Department of Pediatrics Grand Rounds	8:00 a.m.

Department of Medicine Grand Rounds	12:00 p.m.
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